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# Next year's budget still needs trimming

by Ray Bert  
Newspeak Staff

The United States is in a recession as the 1990's begin, a fact that fewer people are able to dispute every day. As students on our own and as members of our predominantly middle class families, we should be acutely aware of how lean economic times affect us. What may be less obvious to us are the effects on large operations such as WPI.

As families have less money to put towards their children's education, the burden on the financial aid office becomes heavier so that most of us can still afford to attend WPI. Consequently, tuition increases become necessary; however, as has been

printed on these pages before, a fairly large tuition increase translates into a comparably much smaller amount of actual additional revenue due to all of the financial aid.

It is now the time of the year when the budget is outlined for next year. After all of the original proposals, WPI had a projected 2.5 million shortfall. At other schools, this may not have been a top priority, as evidenced by the fact that some colleges around the country are in the red several times that amount. However, WPI's board of trustees will not allow the school to operate with an unbalanced budget - a policy that trades sacrifices in the present for financial soundness in the future. Much of the burden of balancing the budget falls on the Provost's

office, and specifically on Provost Diran Apelian.

This year, the original deficit was trimmed in half after an October 23rd meeting by using measures that would not affect any of the academic departments. Apelian stresses, however, that these measures are safety valves which can only be implemented periodically. For example, no inflationary cost increases were allowed for, a move that obviously can not be repeated frequently. Additionally, renovations for the campus (i.e. areas such as repainting) were cut. Again, due to good maintenance, these types of things can be let go for a year. The Provost wishes it known, however, that he will not allow the appearance

or functioning of the campus to deteriorate. This would only serve to lower our image in the eyes of prospective students, ultimately having a deleterious effect on the financial situation that the cuts were designed to counteract in the first place. Also towards this end, a marketing task force, chaired by John Nelson, has been assembled to insure that WPI's strengths are presented as attractively as possible to prospective students.

As far as the remaining cuts are concerned, an as yet undetermined amount will come from the various academic departments. There was a meeting held Friday, November 30, between Apelian and the department heads, at which Apelian intended to

adopt a somewhat different approach to budget problems. He will have asked each of the fourteen department heads to develop their own suggestions for cuts in their areas. His aim is to force everyone to be aware of the overall situation and to be integral parts of the solution.

As a final note, this awareness will hopefully spread to all parts of the WPI community. In Apelian's own words: "In the 90's we will have a decade when economic pressures on institutions of higher learning have never been so acute. In this decade, the difference between winning and losing will be how the faculty, students, staff and the whole institute's community view change."

## WPI Newspeak

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## WPI elects Barbara Bain Gatison to Board of Trustees

(News Service) WPI's Board of Trustees has elected Barbara Bain Gatison of North Haven, CT to serve for a five-year at-large term on the Board of Trustees. Gatison is a 1974 WPI graduate with a bachelor's degree in life sciences.

Gatison is the vice president of consumer services at Southern New England Telecommunications Corp (SNET). She is also one of seven women among SNET's top officers in a firm of 13,700 employees. At SNET, she directs consumer-related functions, including sales, service negotiations and fulfillment, provision of telephone equipment and business office services. Gatison also implements market and product plans, provides staff support for SNET's general business segment and works with operations vice-president's to coordinate the delivery of phone service throughout the state.

She joined SNET in 1974 as a staff assistant in data systems and later held engineering and operations assignments and was promoted to district staff manager of the business service center in 1981. She became division manager of planning and creative resources in the corporate relations department in 1981 and division manager of consumer services in 1982. She was promoted to vice president of consumer services in 1989.

Originally from the Bronx, NY, Gatison has been active in WPI alumni activities as the New Haven alumni club chairman, member of the black alumni group, 10th anniversary solicitor, and regional council representative. She was the initial recipient of the WPI Ichabod Washburn Award in 1984 for outstanding professional achievement by young alumni. The Washburn Award is named for one of WPI's founders.

Her community activities have included serving on the Greater New Haven YWCA Board of Directors, the Connecticut Citizen Action Group, and the advisory group to Jewish Family Service of New Haven/Black

Adoption. She is a member of the National Association of Female Executives, the New Haven's mayor task force to combat substance abuse and also serves on the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel to examine issues of con-

cern to the city of New Haven.

A resident of North Haven, Gatison has twice chaired SNET's Black Management Association and belongs to SNET's Executive Women's Forum.

## Major Selection Program presents an information session

by Erik Currin  
and Aureen Cyr

The major selection program sponsored an information session on November 27 from 7-9 PM to help students learn about the majors here at WPI and subdivisions within the majors. The session provided general information to students who were undecided about a major and in depth information for those who wanted to learn more about the major they had chosen.

Even though we are both happy with our respective declared majors, we stayed for about an hour. We talked to juniors and seniors about their experiences in classes we are about to take and also found that they had the same problems as we do in the classes we are taking. Several students discussed their MQP's as an example of what people "in the field"

do with their degrees once they graduate.

First, we ventured to the Mechanical Engineering - Aerospace division, so Aureen could learn more about her major. We were interested to hear that the Aerospace department was more broad than we had first thought. Apparently, the concepts of Aerospace can be used in car companies and other non-aerospace oriented places. This information was interesting and also valuable.

Then Erik wandered over to the computer science table. There, he learned about specific classes in the department, such as the Artificial Intelligence, OS, and Data Structures classes. Also, the student at the table gave a general idea of what a MQP would be like in the CS department. This information was very specific and helpful to Erik and other CS

majors.

After visiting our major tables, we saw a peculiar sign on a table with the Physics sign. It said "Humanities." We walked over and inquired. We are sophomores, but we never heard of a Humanities major at WPI. As it turns out there is a Humanities major here. The newest major, Technical Writing, was also represented. Thus, even the small majors had representatives to give information to interested students.

Wrapping it up, the Major Selection Program information session was a huge success. Confused students may not have known exactly what they wanted to major in, but they had a better idea after the program. The seniors and juniors leading the program deserve a hand for a good job. Two thumbs up from Aureen and Erik!

## Learn about the "Off Campus" experience

by Cheryl Matherly  
former intern in Housing Office

So you're moving off campus. You'll have some new luxuries not available when living in the residence halls. You'll have complete control over your dinner menu. You'll have separate rooms in which to eat, sleep, watch TV, study, and wash your hair. And in some cases, you may even be permitted to have a pet that doesn't live under water.

But, as with all good things, renting carries with it a lot of responsibilities. Chances are that you are new to renting and will have many questions. How do I search for a place to live? What is a security deposit? Can my landlord really evict me? The Office of Housing and Residential Life has recently expanded our off campus housing services to provide the resources to answer these and other questions.

Once considered just a resource for students who live on campus, the Office of Housing and Residential Life provides many services for commuters as well. Perhaps most important for students just launching their search for housing are the listing for affordable rental units in the WPI area. The files are regularly updated and provide a good overview of the types of housing available. The off campus housing listing are often a good place to start when you decide to rent.

A variety of free written materials are also available to address questions

of both new and experienced renters. The Renter's Guide is a tenant survival manual that covers all parts of the renting process from searching for housing to terminating your lease. Among the many pamphlets available are "Off Campus Housing: What's the Cost?," "Tenant's Insurance: Why You Need It," "Evictions," "Simple Strategies for Wise Energy Use," and "28 Common Sense Tips for Personal Safety." These materials provide valuable information about your rights as a tenant, information that even experienced renters might not know.

The Office of Housing and Residential Life staff can also provide advising for basic questions regarding landlord/tenant law, leases, and housing services. The staff can suggest referrals to Worcester community agencies that are able to provide more extensive tenant counseling.

Renting involves a legal contract with your landlord, so it is essential you clearly understand your rights and responsibilities as a tenant. The information provided through our off campus housing services may be enough to avoid headaches, lost money, and even court action. Most importantly, the information will help you know what to expect when renting, and that knowledge is the first step for a successful off campus living experience.

The Office of Housing and Residential Life is located in Ellsworth 16. The phone number 831-5465.

## WPI's "Campaign for Excellence" exceeds its goal

(News Service) WPI's four-year Campaign for Excellence topped its original goal by \$11.2 million. WPI President Jon C. Strauss announced on Nov. 21, 1990, that a total of \$63.7 million had been raised in the Campaign, whose target when it was launched on Nov. 11, 1986, was \$52.5 million.

"We had one overriding objective in this campaign—to provide the resources to raise WPI to a new level of excellence," Strauss said. "As the results clearly show, this was a goal our alumni and friends enthusiastically and generously supported."

"Excellence is judged in many ways," Strauss noted. "The perception of knowledgeable people outside the institution is a significant measure. WPI's consistent standing at or near the top of listings in U.S. News and World Report's annual college ratings is such an indicator."

"Another important measure of excellence is the quality of students WPI attracts. At a time when the number of college-bound men and women has decreased across the country, WPI has filled its entering classes with increasingly well-qualified freshmen in each of the last five

years. On average, nearly 80 percent of our freshmen remain to graduate. Their ready acceptance by leading companies and graduate schools is another gratifying measure of our excellence."

Strauss noted that the college recently adopted a strategic plan to guide it during the decade ahead. "The resources we have gained through the Campaign," Strauss said, "are already helping us meet many of the goals set forth in that plan."

Among the most significant projects made possible by the success of the Campaign, noted Strauss, was the completion earlier this year of the \$10 million George F. Fuller Laboratories. The college's new information sciences building, Fuller Labs houses the Computer Science Department, the College Computer Center, the Office of Academic Computing, the Instructional Media Center and the 400-seat Perreault Lecture Hall.

Among the other ways in which the proceeds of the Campaign are already being put to work, Strauss said, are six new endowed professorships, eight new endowed graduate assistantships, more than \$3.7 million in contributions and gifts-in-kind to im-

prove the Institute's undergraduate teaching laboratories, more than \$1.7 million to expand and enhance the college's computer facilities, close to \$3.4 million to provide seed funding for innovative new educational programs, and more than \$2.8 million to launch new research centers.

Over \$1.7 million was raised to renovate the college's outdoor athletic facilities, and about \$2.7 million to renovate, shortly, Alden Memorial Auditorium in order to provide updated facilities for the Institute's performing arts groups.

Donald F. Berth '57, vice president for university relations and Campaign director, said the total raised during the Campaign more than tripled the results of the college's best prior drive—the five-year Plan to Restore the Balance of the 1970s, which raised \$18.9 million. He also noted that the Campaign for Excellence raised more money than the three most recent WPI capital campaigns combined.

"What we are especially proud of," Berth said, "is that the Campaign total represents the generosity of about 12,500 alumni, parents, corporations,

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## The Gulf Crisis

However, some Senators and Congressmen questioned whether it would be wise to use force. Armed Services Committee Chairman Sam Nunn (D-Georgia) asked if using military force was in the "vital interest" of the United States. House Majority leader Richard Gephardt (D-Missouri) also questioned the use of force in the gulf.

Soviet Finance Minister Pavlov issued a statement that stated that the USSR's economy was headed for a collapse, and the budget deficit could grow to 20% of the GNP. The reason for the large increase is that there was a raise on wholesale prices but not retail prices, so the government has to subsidize heavily. Moscow is currently in an economic crisis, facing shortages in milk, bread, sugar, potatoes, and cigarettes.

Fund-raising will continue beyond the Campaign toward two important goals: providing new and renovated space for mechanical engineering, and meeting a \$325,000 bioprocess technology laboratory challenge grant from The Kresge Foundation. To date, about \$2.3 million has been raised for the mechanical engineering project, needed to meet the demands of a growing research pro-

Some cancers can be traced back to a defective gene, scientists discovered. This discovery may make it easier to treat, diagnose, and

"I'd like to extend special thanks," Berth added, "to the members of the Development Committee of the Board, many of whom made substantial contributions of their own to the Campaign, and to our small but dedicated and a talented staff in University Relations and in Alumni Affairs. The efforts of these two groups have enabled us to not only run a highly successful Campaign, but set a new standard for giving to WPI that leaves the Institute well-positioned for the challenges of the years ahead."

McDonalds announced that it will reduce many of its prices. The move signals that there is fierce competition in the fast food industry.




Four students were selected to attend the

Thirty-six WPI students traveled to Pfizer Central Research in Groton, CT on November 16th for a field trip cosponsored by the Skeptical Chemists and Major Selection Program. The field trip involved a presentation on Pfizer and career opportunities in the pharmaceutical industry, a tour of the facilities, and an informal reception with Pfizer scientists and engineers. Students from Chemistry, Biology/Biotechnology, and Chemical Engineering participated in the trip. Thanks to generous contributions from the Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Departments, the cost of the trip was only \$1.00 per person. This support made the trip affordable for all interested students.

Patriot Zeke Mowatt was fined \$12,500 for sexual harassment of Lisa Olsen, a *Boston Herald* reporter, when she was in the Patriots locker room. Patriots management was also fined, as well as Bengals coach Sam Wyche for his refusal to let women in the Bengals locker room.

If interested drop a note to Professor Hakim (EE) or Professor Dunn (HU), or e-mail hakim or pdunn.

Many students indicated that the informal reception was the most beneficial aspect of the trip. The Pfizer scientists and engineers talked candidly about their jobs and gave advice about careers and graduate school options. Other students found the trip to be beneficial because it afforded them the opportunity to get a sense of what they would like and/or dislike about working for a company like Pfizer.

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# Europe: A Review

## A Boffo Zoo

by Shawn Zimmerman  
Newspeak Staff

This week I'll be reviewing the Zoo in Karlsruhe, West Germany. Before I start, though I'd like to comment on the advisability of going to the Zoo when extremely hungry.

Don't. I mean it. It just totally changes the entire flavor of the place. Normally when you see Pink Flamingoes at the Zoo, you think "What a funny looking bird," or "God, a plastic one of those would look fantastic on my lawn!" But when you go hungry, you think instead, "I bet they taste just like chicken," or "They'd never miss just one." You have been warned. That means that when you get caught in the turtle

corral stealing food, you'll have no one to blame but yourself.

I suppose something needs to be said about the layout of the Zoo. Most zoos consist of animals and cages and paths leading to the cages and a little grass in between the paths, and food vendors. That's normal and to be expected. But what I didn't expect was to walk along a path and end up at a Chinese temple, or on top of a mountain, or in the middle of several acres of roses. I swear that zoo was bigger on the inside than the outside. So, I've reached the conclusion that the overwhelming majority was really in another dimension; sort of like Strauss' fiscal policies.

The actual zoo was pretty normal though. You had your lions, elephants, giraffes, cows. Exotic animals like that. Yes, I said cows. I

couldn't believe it either. I thought it was just another hunger hallucination. Who goes to the Zoo to see a cow? That's like going to see a skunk. (There was a place for a skunk exhibit, but it wasn't there. I think it was on loan to the Ellsworth Apartments.)

And then, plunging ever deeper into the Twilight Zone, I saw the strangest thing yet: I saw Hitler at the Karlsruhe Zoo (sung to the tune of "I Saw Jesus at the Jiffy Lube" the Chosen will know what I mean.) Now, I told myself quite sternly before I left for Europe, "Shawn, no Nazi jokes, and I mean it!" And aside from a few nasty cracks during German oven commercials, I've done extremely well. But this is no joke. I really did see him at the zoo. He was with some woman and three little toddlers. He looked about 40, so it probably wasn't the real one, just one of the clones from the secret Nazi Base on the Dark Side of the Moon. The woman and children were obviously there to disguise his real purpose: To

find a baboon in which to place Goebbel's brain, so he could penetrate undetected into the Pentagon. Not one to shirk my moral duty, I immediately called the National Enquirer's "I Saw a Famous Dead Person" hotline (open 24 hours a day, vote for Jim Morrison, Jesus, Hitler, Elvis, Richard Nixon (well, he's dead politically), or other.) Then I went on to the penguin bit.

I don't know what it is about penguins, but I always love hanging around them. I think it's because they're such silly looking birds. I want to emphasize that point: Penguins are Birds. Normally I wouldn't think that point needed emphasis, but recently I went out drinking with some Brits and it came up. We'd been quizzing each other on frightfully important information that no competent person can possibly live without, and one of them came up with this one: "Why don't polar bears eat penguins?" Most of us realized the answer almost immediately, but one girl mumbled something about polar bears not being able to catch them. "What are you talking about?" We asked her. "Well, penguin are fish, aren't they?" Once we picked ourselves from the floor, we made her take lithium and she was OK for the rest of the evening.

I think it is problems like these (mistaking birds for fish, drinking directly out of the toilet bowl, and consistently voting Republican) that argue most convincingly for the overwhelming need in America for more armor-piercing bullets for vole hunters. Most people aren't even aware of what a vole is, so they won't realize just what a grave danger voles really pose to the American way of life. (When young, voles are these cute little balls of fur whose brains rural teenagers like to splatter all over the place when the Saturday-Night Moonlight Hoe Down and Cider Press gets cancelled. But when they reach maturity (the voles, that is — rural teenagers never reach maturity) they grow into horrible monsters, slaving caricatures of humanity, like trolls, ghouls, zombies, and Ed Meese. Feeding off the recently dead, the soon-to-be-dead, and the brain dead, these hideous fiends are a dire threat not only to our lives and very sanity, but also to the ozone layer, the national economy, and uninterrupted reruns of Gilligan's Island.

Now, I realize that I have strayed slightly from a purely functional description of the Zoo. But if you really have a compulsion to hear stuff like: "The lion, placidly reclining on the grey sedimentary rocks slowly opened his regal mouth until it was a gaping maw, and uttered a ferocious ROAR, the sound and smell of which reminded me of a librarians after-hours flatulence," then I'm afraid you're just going to have to go elsewhere; say, the Yellow Pages, or maybe the ingredients list on a box of granola. You'll find none of that in MY column, and that is a solemn promise.

And no more Nazi jokes and I mean it this time.

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## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

## We're on Film

### Home alone with the Predator

by Geoff Littlefield and Jim Ropp  
Newspeak Staff

Geoff: We've got one of those special columns this week where we review two, two, two movies in ONE article. Thanksgiving break gave us time to see two between papers, so we figured, "What the hey? Let's do it."

First up is *Home Alone*, a John Hughes written comedy starring young McCaully Culkin as a boy accidentally left home when his family goes to France for Christmas. You might think "What kind of Bozos would forget their own kid?!" Well, you're not far from the mark. First of all, the family is HUGE and the morning of the trip turns out to be quite rushed. Secondly, and by far the more important point, they are much more caught up with themselves than anything else.

Culkin, who also starred in the Hughes film, *Uncle Buck*, is left to contend with a pair of burglars who break into houses while their occupants are on vacation. He defends the house that soon becomes an obsession

more than a target to the criminals and gives them more than just a little bit of trouble. All the while, his feelings for his family turn from angst to love.

How did you like it, Jim?

Jim: Personally, I didn't expect much from *Home Alone*, and that's about what I got out of it. For starters, there was hardly anything original to be found in the storyline, and the first two-thirds of the film was full of the typical obnoxious family, the typical childhood conflicts, and the typical overused set-ups for the overused punchlines. Even when Culkin finally "cuts loose," as he finds himself alone and free of the oppressive relatives, there was not much more than a muffled chuckle over his antics. Fortunately, the remaining half-hour proved to be the film's saving grace. As seen in countless previews, Culkin finds all sorts of clever ways to protect his home from the would-be burglars, some of which were quite amusing (then again, some were just plain slapstick). Overall, I found the subplot of the creepy neighbor, who Culkin finally confronts and befriends, to be

far more interesting and touching than the rest of the story.

Geoff: I think I basically agree with your view. However, I did find it interesting to see how exact this movie was in places. Hughes, who is quite a talented writer and director, was very careful - from what I saw - to make the robbers only just as smart as would create a threat but not lose their bumbling ways. Segments of the story are revealed at an even pace that doesn't leave much room for idling.

However, I got kind of sick of the cute one-liners Culkin was fed and the predictable slapstick. As Jim mentioned, Culkin's fear of his strange neighbor that gradually turns to a friendship was a part of the story I'd rather see more of and was more in the spirit of the holidays.

Next up is *Predator 2*. The setting is 6 years in the future in Los Angeles. Gangs are warring in the streets, mobs are forming outside the police stations, and someone (something) is killing people viciously. The killer, naturally, is the Predator, an alien that hunts humans for sport and keeps

things like spines and skulls as trophies. Danny Glover (*Lethal Weapon*), Maria Conchita Alonso (*Running Man*), and Bill Paxton (*Aliens*) star as police officers trying to deal with the warring gangs and this mysterious killer. Gary Busey (*Lethal Weapon*) plays a government agent in charge of a task force chasing the Predator. There are personal conflicts between Busey and Glover over jurisdiction, but basically, this movie was a violence-fest.

James?

Jim: Having established the premise in the original film, *Predator 2* wastes no time and gets straight down to the action; this time with a Predator of a slightly more aggressive temperament. Although I really liked the subtlety of the original creature, I think that I still liked the new one as you get to see a new personality and a more rounded view of the Predator race. The film even goes so far as to show the insides of his ship, which held a surprise or two for the audience as well as Danny Glover. As far as the humans go, although some of the smaller characters were good, especially the members of the Jamaican gang, I found the main characters to be all wrong. I feel that Glover and Paxton were perhaps just victims of bad dialogue in the script as their previous roles were usually quite good. Maria Alonso, however, sim-

ply did not fit her "tough streetwise cop" image and slowed the rest of the group down during some of the fight scenes. As you would expect from this movie, the cast tends to be narrowed down very quickly and allows you to concentrate on the more interesting qualities of the Predator. Overall, I feel that this film was a pretty good sequel, as far as sequels go, and I give *Predator 2* a cancelled 8 a.m. lecture, but I'd also have to give it a mute button for some of its script. Finally, I give *Home Alone* a printer that doesn't work half the time and a ball of ear wax. Geoffrey?

Geoff: I think you've hit on what I liked about the film most: the fact that the Predator was actually given character instead of being simply a hunter-killer. The cinematography was also nicely above average, with some excellent camera work and special effects. I loved King Willy, the leader of the Jamaican gang and sort of a voodoo Rastafarian dude. Also, Kevin Peter Hall put in a great performance as the alien; true to his movie creature experience as the Predator in the first installment and Bigfoot in *Harry and the Hendersons*.

I'd say *Predator 2* deserves a set of nifty bones suitable for foretelling the future and Dan Quayle's head as a trophy.

Also, I give *Home Alone* an LED display and a bucket of blue paint.

## Tribe: An interview with some great Boston talent

by Geoff Littlefield  
Newspeak Staff

I'll make no secret of it, I adore Tribe, the Boston band that graced the audience in Gompei's Place last Saturday with their great sounds. So, it was with no little bit of anxiousness that I stepped into their dressing room before sound check to interview them. I mean, how often do you get to meet people you admire so much they become almost idols? My biggest hope was that they turned out to be the open, friendly people I had always pictured them to be. They most certainly did not disappoint.

The group had its beginnings with bassist Greg LoPiccolo when he came to Boston from Vermont in 1983 without really planning to form a band. But one did form, and, after various changes, stabilized with Greg, Terri, Eric, Janet, and Dave (see review). "We got Janet [the lead vocalist] from an ad in the Boston Phoenix," says Greg, "and Terri was a pianist who

wanted to be in a rock band." Janet LaValley was planning to be a philosophy professor before she felt the sway of music and drummer, Dave Penzo, tried out for band after band until he found his home with Tribe.

They attribute, in part, their relatively early success in the Boston music scene to the more common practice among commercial radio stations to play local bands. The fact that this is no longer the case makes breaking in by getting airplay more difficult. "We landed right on the cusp of that," Janet comments. Good thing, too, this airplay gave Tribe the audience they needed to make an impression on club attendance.

The task of writing lyrics and music is split fairly evenly among the five members. "One person will get an idea and work with someone else, there's no real main writer. Like, I've done songs with Eric, and Eric and Terri have worked on a couple and Janet writes some music and lyrics." So, as you can imagine, their sounds

are pretty diverse. But that just adds to their appeal.

Things are shaping up for Tribe, although nothing is on paper as yet. Terri comments, "We hope to have the next album out soon, we hope to be in the studio in January, we hope to be signing next week... it's like that." With whom will they be signing? Slash Records, a Warner alternative label. The new album will probably contain both "old" and new material. "It's uncertain now," says Terri. "We'll have more of an idea when we're finished recording and start picking tunes."

In the meantime, they will continue to play at various Boston clubs and they are shooting for a Spring release date for the album. Their next performance will be at the Paradise in Boston on December 7th. It's really easy to find and there will be both an 18+ and then a 21+ show, so I'd recommend going if you're looking for a good time or missed them in Gompei's.

## Guest speakers to highlight course on Worcester writers

As part of EN2236, "New England Literary Communities," two area writers will be reading and commenting on their work during B Term 1990.

On Thursday, December 6, Chris Gilbert, former winner of the Walt Whitman Award, will be reading and speaking about his work in the Gordon Library Seminar Room. The time of his presentation is 7:30 pm.

On Monday, December 10, Mary Fell, a Worcester native, a teacher,

and a widely published poet, will be visiting EN2236 at its regular class time (12:30, Salisbury Labs 105).

All members of the WPI community, especially Humanities majors and double majors, are invited to attend these events.

EN2236, "New England Literary Communities," is offered every year and focuses on a specific literary circle or center of literary activity (e.g. Concord, Worcester, or Boston).

As the above announcement suggests, the focus of this year's course is Worcester's literary history.

The appearance of these speakers is sponsored by the Department of Humanities and the Office of Student Affairs.

## Christmas concert in Alden Hall

by Prof. L.J. Curran

On Thursday evening, December 6, at 7:30pm, Alden Hall will be transformed into an English college chapel for a concert of lessons and carols for the Christmas season. The WPI Glee Club and the Regis College Glee Club - some 80 singers - will be joined by the WPI Brass Octet to provide the music for the occasion. This concert is one of the traditional concerts of the college and is one of the few events sponsoring the real nature of Christmas.

With roots back in the middle ages, the form of this concert for Christmas is celebrated throughout the world. Perhaps the most famous of these events is the yearly broadcast on BBC International from Kings College, Cambridge from which much of the music for this occasion will be drawn.

The main musical composition will be the Christmas Cantata of Daniel Pinkham employing the Brass Octet. The work is in three movements much as in the biblical narra-

tion of the birth of Christ - the Annunciation - the birth of Christ - rejoicing of the angels. Daniel Pinkham is one of the foremost of America's living composers. Currently professor of music at New England Conservatory of Music at Boston, he is also organist and choir master of King Chapel on Beacon Hill, one of the oldest existing churches in America.

The Regis College Glee Club will sing: "Jubilante Deo" and "Here We Come a-Caroling."

The Chamber Singers, a select group from the Glee Club, will sing: "In Dulci Jubilo" and "While Youthful Sports Are Lasting"

The Regis College Handbell Choir will perform: "The Chimes" and "Star of Light."

The WPI Glee Club will perform: "Go Tell It On the Mountain" - Soloists: Robert Ballasty and Theodore Dysart, "Jesus Is Born" - Soloist: Moe Khan, and "le Sommeil de l'enfant Jesus."

The Baker's Dozen will Sing:

"God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" and "Quilted Pasture."

On the weekend of December 9, the WPI Glee Club and Wells College Choir will journey to New York to perform in Saint Patrick's Cathedral and in the Church of the Good Shepherd. They will be accompanied by the WPI Orchestra and Brass Octet. The Mozart Coronation Mass and the Christmas Cantata of Pinkham will resound through the vaulted ceilings of Saint Patrick's Cathedral at 4:45pm on the ninth in concert form. On the weekend before Christmas, Fifth Avenue is generally closed to traffic and made into a pedestrian mall for shopping. The result is the Cathedral is filled with tourists and people going to mass - an extraordinary audience, numbering in the thousands.

The Christmas Concert at WPI this Thursday is a calm moment in a busy schedule which we all hope you will enjoy, a moment to pause and enjoy the season before leaving the college hill.

## Soviet tour meeting to be held

by Prof. Patrick Dunn

Members of the WPI community interested in touring the Soviet Union between terms C and D should meet with Professor Dunn (HU) in the commons area of the Humanities Department on Thursday, December 6, at 6:00 p.m.

Professor Dunn will discuss plans for the tour, which will visit Moscow, Leningrad, and Worcester's Sister

City, Pushkin. Professor Dunn will also discuss plans for meetings of the prospective travellers in C term for rudimentary language training and exposure to Soviet history and culture.

If you are interested, plan to be there, or contact Professor Dunn in Salisbury 26, or e-mail pdunn. The deadline for applications is December 15.



## SPORTS

# When will the WPI Hockey Team win again?

by Brian Campbell and John Kurdziolek

The first annual WPI hockey classic took place on November 24-25 and featured Penn State University (defending national club hockey champions), Nichols College, Keene N.H. Junior Blackhawks, and WPI.

In the first game Tech was pitted against the Junior Blackhawks from Keene, N.H. Both squads came out of the blocks tentatively until midway through the first period when Keene snuck a shot past goalie John Kurdziolek from about eighteen feet out. Keene did not stop there; the "Blackhawks" tallied two more goals to close out the first period.

The Engineers knew that they possessed an edge in talent and size, but the question was, did they know how to use it? In the second period, WPI's Joe Canniff scored quickly and this seemed to put some life into the bewildered bunch. However, this momentum short-circuited when Keene again scored twice before the second buzzer.

With the Blackhawks holding a commanding 5-1 lead after two periods, WPI finally realized it was time to play hockey and scored their first goal of the period with nine minutes to play. Andy Sanclemente added another with two and a half minutes to play. Despite another goal 30 seconds later, WPI could not net the tying goal. After 2 and 1/2 horrific periods and a good final ten minutes, Tech ended up on the short end of a 5-4 score.

In the other first round game Saturday night, Penn State edged Nichols 5-3. Consequently, this matched up WPI and Nichols in the consolation game and Keene faced Penn State for the championship.

On Sunday, the experience of the Nichols squad was just too much for the Engineers as Tech lost its second of the season by a 6-4 margin. As if it weren't bad enough to lose its own tournament, WPI's rookie sensation John Macklin went down with a separated shoulder and is lost until January.

Penn State went on to win the first WPI

Hockey Classic by a score of 15-3 (!!!) over the Keene Blackhawks.

WPI hoped to get back on the winning track when they faced MIT on Wednesday, Nov. 28. WPI looked like they would do just that, as Tech scored in the first minute of the game on a goal by Andy Hoyen. However, as has been the pattern of this team, MIT climbed back into the game with a goal late in the first period.

In the scoreless second period, MIT carried the play in the early going; a few questionable calls by the referees and a rowdy crowd only added fuel to the fire. Goalie John Kurdziolek made some key stops, and in the second half of the period, WPI finally countered with a few

good scoring opportunities of their own.

In the third period, the pace was fast and furious since both teams had no intention of losing. It looked as if the game would end in a 1-1 tie until Dave Henry put the Engineers ahead with seven minutes to play. Once again, WPI showed that they could not hold a lead, as MIT went on to win 3-2. The Engineers have settled into a disturbing pattern of scoring goals and then sitting back and letting the opposition have their way. Until this pattern is broken with gritty determination and a desire to win, the young Engineers are going to continue this losing streak.

## WPI wrestlers surge

by Roger Burleson  
Sports Editor

WPI wrestlers continued preparing for their showdown against Rhode Island College by defeating Boston College by a score of 40-6.

WPI fell behind 6-0 after dropping the first two contests by close decisions. But after that, they never looked back sweeping the remaining eight contests for the one sided victory. Out of those eight victories, one half were by pins.

At 134 Pat Leamy fought a hard earned decision with a 4-3 victory. Afterwards Brian Chu looked sharp in a 12-4 easy decision at 142. Then came the rain of pins at 150, 158, and 167. Garritt Trombi, Toby Wyman, and Chris Carey all took care of business in times of 4:40, 4:58, and 4:15 respectively. At 177

George Willwerth had another tough victory in his second match winning by a score of 5-4. At 190 John Roy finished off his opponent in 4:35. At heavyweight, Mike Ahearn finished off the scoring for WPI by taking the forfeit. With the victory, WPI raised its record to 2-0 while BC fell to 1-2.

The long awaited Rhode Island College meet will take place Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. RIC has won the New England Tournament for the past three years, but has never beaten WPI in a dual meet. This meet should go down to the wire and be very exciting. WPI will finish off the month of December when they travel to Saturday to the University of New Hampshire for a 12:00 p.m. meet against UNH, Harvard, and New York University.

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## LETTERS / COMMENTARY

# Call attention to course evaluations

To the editor:

The responses in the November 13 issue by John A. Orr, Head of the Electrical Engineering department, and Prof. David Brown to my letter in the November 6 issue were a perfect example of what I was protesting. These letters did not address a single point I brought up, they only made some general statements with little support.

Prof. Brown states in his most recent letter, "While I applaud his [my] enthusiasm, I cannot agree with all of his points or all of his logic. However, the need to maintain a suitably sober, dignified, stodgy, boring, and egocentric professionalism prevents me from writing a five column response." This forum was designed to address problems and current issues; it was not designed for public insults. If you are not going to tell me which points you disagree with, why was this letter submitted? As I pointed out in my first letter, nothing is accomplished unless specific things are addressed.

Prof. Orr also has no rebuttal to any of my complaints. He states that "to make no response could leave the impression that we do not care about the actual or perceived quality of the teaching in the department." You have made a response that says that you care, but where is the action?

Prof. Orr states that "in order for any problems to be addressed, they must be brought to the attention of someone... in a specific fashion." I always thought that the course evaluation forms were a specific, formal format for recording our problems with a course or professor. I filled out all of my evaluations honestly, and as far as I know, so did everyone else. After four years of filling out these forms, I saw no change in the EE department. Were these simply ignored?

I also received a phone call from an EE professor. While he was quite upset about my letter, he was also the only one to address my letter in a professional manner. One of his major complaints is that I criticized the whole department based on my

opinion about a few of them. This is a valid point, but I believe that it is the department's responsibility to weed these poor teachers out. There may be more excellent professors at WPI than poor ones. However, the poor ones are not an exception to the rule. There are several of them, not just one or two. Maybe I had bad luck in which professors I got in my four years, but

more than one or two is far too many. This is definitely a case of a few bad apples spoiling the barrel.

I have a suggestion that will really show how students feel about certain professors. Do not allow professors to teach a course twice in a row; this will allow students a choice of professors. In addition, call more attention to the evaluations in the library, and make

them complete. Include the statistics from the "dot" side, and the written evaluations. Then publish, as early as possible, which professor is teaching when. You will see the enrollment patterns change very quickly. I know that the students will use those evaluations even if the faculty doesn't.

J. Robert Sims, III '90

## "Counselors" shouldn't judge others

To the editor:

I must say that I am surprised at the reaction to Shawn Zimmerman's article, "The Pool." It seems that the word "sarcasm" is not in these people's vocabulary.

It seems that in their haste to denounce the prejudices that Mr. Zimmerman laughs at in his article, they have exposed a serious flow of preju-

dice themselves. They are oh-so-ready to pre-judge Shawn on the merits of their inability to find humor in "The Pool."

I find this particularly concerning coming from two people representing the "Counseling and Student Development Center." If they had signed it under merely their own names, it could be taken as personal opinion. Instead, they invoke their professions

as justification. Perhaps people in the job of "counseling" should be less quick to pre-judge people who they have never met.

I would suggest that Ms. Langman and Mr. Groccia should offer an apology to Shawn Zimmerman and the editors of *Newspeak*, lest they be pre-judged themselves.

John Dunkelberg '92

## Looking Out from Bancroft Tower

### From a barstool in Alden

by Jonathan Drummey

I stop to watch the Horned God chase a star. It's the beginning of November, right after one of the worst rehearsals I've ever been to. *Afterburner's*... Will the production actually happen? The moon is so beautiful tonight, though. I walk up to the third floor lounge of Fuller to get a better view, and end up spending half an hour vivisectioning the rehearsal with an actor pulling an all-nighter. We need more time, always more time.

I'm listening. Totally absorbed in the tension between Laura and Jake. Every night that I sit up here, calling cues on Ledo deck, I notice something new in the script. Tonight it's that Laura asks about Jake's past, but he never asks for hers. It's because he knows it; she's a citizen. Marked in my script, just to the right of the lines, is "Warning." I tell the crew to get ready. I listen for another page, wanting to just watch it unfold. But I can't. It's time. "Go sound cue 20, lighting cue 31a," I say. Several *Afterburners* come on stage in red light, Stan in charge. "Changing of the guard" say

my notes. "Louder," I say to Chris on sound. The pulse of the music, a tribal rhythm, takes me. I can't hear the AB's guns slamming the floor, the music is so loud. The *Afterburners* finish their drill, the magic of the sound and lights must end, to be replaced by other sorcery.

"Go lights and sound." Wait ten seconds in the blackout. "Go lights." The stage has cleared, it's now ready for the curtain call. From my vantage point, the applause isn't as loud as the music. I like it that way, for the music is that of redemption, of success even. The smiles on the faces of the cast and crew are all that need to be said.

In the end, *Afterburner's* was a hugely successful show for Masque. My own involvement, from a mad dash down Route 128 during rush hour to hours spent on my purloined barstool calling cues, was a two month roller coaster ride. I hope these few words can express what it's like.

And to that student in Beijing who on June 5, 1989 had the courage to stand there... thanks.

## Dear Sarah

### Advice for Students

Greetings fellow students. I am starting something new (for me anyway). This is an advice column, problems, concerns, advice to the love-lorn, etc... your chance to get in the paper anonymously. In order for me to do this, I need real problems so please send your questions and problems to Dear Sarah c/o *Newspeak* Box 2700. The reason why I'm starting this now is because I have a friend who has a problem and this is my way of helping him and anyone with the same problem.

Dear Sarah,

My roommate has a girlfriend who is always in our room.

They always give me subtle hints to leave, and I mean constantly. She sometimes stays over night and they have sex, even when I'm in the room. I'm beginning to feel like it is not my room anymore but their personal motel room.

What should I do?

Signed,  
Trapped in the Sex Zone

Dear Trapped,

The first thing you have to do is to talk to your roommate. He must realize that it is your room too.

Since I don't know how you two usually get along, I won't advise you to try and find another roommate. If they are giving you subtle hints to leave, return the favor by giving them hints to leave. Try keeping the door open or inviting your friends in to do homework or just to hang out. If nothing else seems to work, you could talk to your RA or go to Res Life for a room change. If their sexual activity is preventing you from getting sleep or getting your work done or invading your privacy, then you should definitely go for outside help. But first, try to work it out on your own.



## Standing on a Soapbox

### Democracy Sux

by Frodo

Democracy. It's the big word this year. Poland, East Germany and tons of formerly "Communist" countries have allegedly become "Democratic" nations. There are two major problems with this. First is the false dichotomy between communism and democracy. Communism is a statist system based on the government ownership of everything and the subjugation of the individual to the state. Democracy is a method for how and by whom the purpose of a government will be carried out. Communism is the political and economic end result of an anti-man philosophy. Democracy is devoid of philosophy, it is a method. If democracy is instituted as a system it means complete majority rule. Individuals subject to groups, small groups subject to big groups, countries subject to bigger countries or groups of countries. Notice the lack of principle, of right and wrong. All democracy is based on supremacy by superior number. Might does not make right, neither does number. In reality communism loves democracy. Democracy gives communism the backing and "moral" justification to do whatever a majority wants. I will save my arguments on what this does to an individual and to life for a later date.

This brings me to my second argument. I was debating with a Republican a couple of weeks ago. I was advocating drug legalization based on a morality and government founded on individual rights. He replied with a barrage on statistics about the ma-

jority of Americans supported the war on drugs and various other programs that I considered in violation of individual rights. I told him that what a majority thought was irrelevant to the morality of the issue. He replied that since we live in a democracy that this was the way things worked. Wrong. We live in a republic. The basis of our government and our liberty cannot be legally touched by the whim of the masses or by the hazard of Congress. The fact that individual rights have been invaded in this country is only due to the fact that Congress, the President, and the Supreme Court have violated the Constitution, not because it was their right to do so. To be completely objective, the U.S. is no longer a republic. We are a socialist state and that is also the status of the 'free' European countries. Socialism controls most everything as Communism does, but leaves enough freedom to leech off of to keep the state afloat. Communism is giving a man poison until he dies, socialism is slowly feeding a man poison so that he is constantly weak and in pain but has enough strength to eek out an existence. Eek, eek. The U.S., through taxes, censorship, tariffs, legislated monopolies, publicly owned companies and property, public medicine, public roads, public schools, public transportation and various other forms of personal and economic control could easily qualify as a socialist state. Our government robs a man of his choice and production and redistributes things for the good of the majority as determined by the vote or by the representatives of the vote.

Taken by vote or by gun, no difference.

Notice as you watch the events in Europe and the U.S.S.R. that they advocate socialism. They do not want a free market, they want their security. They do not want freedom, they just want anything proclaiming itself to be for the people. If they truly wanted freedom they would adopt a constitution based on the sanctity of the individual. They would drop all taxes and tariffs. They would privatize everything and limit the power of the government so it could not change these things without losing its legitimacy. Then they would have a laissez-faire capitalist republic and I would move.

Don't be fooled by the word "democracy." It means little on its own and what it does mean is bad. You can have a democratic communist state. You can have a democratic socialist state and you can have a democratic fascist state. Remember that Hitler was elected. He carried out the will of the people.

The worst example of resistance to this idea came from that bastard Socrates. He represents the ultimate end of a democracy. Killed by the act of a majority for his ideas, he sat by and took it. Worse than that, he sanctioned it. What more could a totalitarian state want than enemies that grant the principles of the state and then kill themselves.

The next time someone uses a vote or a majority as an argument - answer "so what?", "Is it right or wrong and why?"

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# The Wilderness Writer

## The Pleasures of Gardening

by Athena Demetry  
Newspeak Staff

*Removing the weeds, putting fresh soil about the bean stems, and encouraging this weed which I had sown, making the yellow soil express its summer thought in bean leaves and blossoms rather than in wormwood and piper and millet grass, making the earth say beans instead of grass, - this was my daily work...I was determined to know beans.*

- Henry David Thoreau

The squish of damp soil beneath your toes. The dark smoothness of perfectly weeded and cultivated soil beneath the fresh greenery of plants. The names - aquilegia, coreopsis, heliotrope, campanula, delphinium, lupine, artemesia, lobelia. The surprise of a new set of buds, a second flowering, a week's additional growth. The transformation from the small, tidy seedlings of early June to the overgrown, rampant jungle of late August. The shape of an expertly pruned shrub. The plump, red sweetness of a cherry tomato eaten straight from the vine on a hot summer day. The trickle of sweat down your spine, the horsefly persistently circling your head, the yellowjacket hovering a quarter-inch from your skin, neither landing nor flying off, just waiting and testing your tolerance. Distinguishing the tiny, two-leaved seedling of a black-eyed susan from nearly identical weeds, then gently pulling the weeds away, adding some water, coaxing growth. Turning over the soil in late spring for the sun to warm, finding in that shovelful the first glistening pink earthworm to poke up, awake, into the unfrozen world, churning and turning the soil with its body. Such are the pleasures of gardening.

*Robbed of all resistance to progress  
He squirms awhile in the too-easy air  
Before an ancient and implicit purpose  
Starts him traveling in one direction  
Reaching out, contracting, reaching out,  
Contracting - a clean and glistening earth-pink.  
He has turned more earth than I have with my fork.*

*He has lifted more earth than all men have or will.*

*Breaking the earth in spring men break his body*

*And it is broken in the beaks of birds.*

*He has become and will again become*

*The flying and singing of birds.*

- Robert Francis

Gardening provides regular contact with the earth, with the air and open space and living organisms. Many of us, come April, find our fingers itching to be buried in soil and our toes craving their freedom from shoes and their liberation in dirt. In winter, when we can't garden, or if we haven't the outdoor space for a garden, we bring pots of earth indoors, place them on windowsills, and call them houseplants. Those of us who garden find the activity necessary and therapeutic, or we simply enjoy the aesthetics of a colorful, fragrant garden, or we seek to surround ourselves with life, to nurture that life and make it grow and flower, to create, shape, and mold a place of beauty. Historically, agriculture - the growing of food - was a gardening activity in which the majority of people took part, and perhaps they also experienced the joys of gardening along with their daily toil.

But at some point back in history came division of labor, and gardening was taken away from the common person. I think that, somehow, many of our modern societal ills have arisen from that fact. Some people drive many minutes in traffic for the "privilege" of spending eight hours in front of a computer screen in a one hundred floor building, then buy their plastic bagged, pre-sliced white bread in the supermarket and wonder how milk is made. In the name of progress, gardening was taken away from the masses and placed in the hands of middle America, where tractors plow across prairies, planting is mechanized, thousands of acres of only two varieties of corn and wheat are harvested, synthetic fertilizers and pesticides are used, and water is diverted from rivers for irrigation. The growing of food plants has been made distinct from gardening; it is done with technology and called agriculture. When food is raised by gardening - when

it is a product of our own labors, when it goes from the ground to our table - we feel more closely our connection to the earth and are more likely to preserve the health of that connection.

Division of labor in our society is too ingrained ever to change. There still are, however, large areas of the world where gardening and agriculture are one and the same, where the personal care of plants and ecosystems is part of daily life. Studies have labeled the systems employed by indigenous cultures as "agroecosystems" or "sustainable agriculture." These people garden into the natural ecosystem and increase its diversity, taking advantage of microenvironments of varying temperature, shade, moisture, and soil conditions to plant a variety of plants for use as food, medicines, and building materials among others. Rainforest peoples will burn small patches of forest to release nutrients stored in the vegetation, and take advantage of the conditions thus created, planting ash-loving species where ash is concentrated, planting species that need moist conditions in drainage areas, and surrounding banana palms with a certain plant that thrives on a chemical the palm releases into the soil. They protect against rodent pests by planting enough extra for them to eat as well. They will move a colony of ants to live mutualistically with a tree; the combative ants protect the tree from being eaten by other insects and mammals. They plant fifty varieties of a staple instead of just one, and they interplant many different staple crops, thereby protecting against pests and decreasing the risk of total crop failure. Indeed, this genetic diversity is the source of many of our bioengineered, disease-resistant, "super-species" which we in the West plant in monoculture. Most critically, the rainforest people allow their burned patches of forest to regrow, while continually caring for and harvesting from the fruit and nut trees

which prosper in the succession to mature forest.

To these indigenous people, gardening is much more than raising food; gardening is an integral part of their culture and their society. These people are a beneficial component of the ecosystem; while taking from it, they add and alter, creating new niches and new diversity. But we in the West tend to look at their "primitive" methods and declare that they could be much more productive by clearing large tracts of land, plowing the soil with tractors, fertilizing, irrigating, and employing pesticides - all the advanced technology of the "green revolution." In doing so, we are threatening to disrupt their entire traditional social system and to destroy native, diverse habitats. In many villages, water buffalo are used to plow; their dung is used for fuel, and their wallows create habitat for fish, who eat malaria larva, and for snakes and lizards. When the buffalo are replaced by a tractor, the high protein fish food is eliminated, malaria increases, and expensive, outside sources of fuel - wood or coal - must be found.

Before imposing our energy-intensive system of agriculture on other areas of the world, we should consider whether the elimination of gardening as a way of life is truly a step forward.

**Contest Update:** My very own father wants to know what the prizes for the Wilderness Writer Contest are before putting pen to paper! Well, I'm not really sure yet, but I know that it will be something like a choice of a book, a plant, or a 1991 Sierra Club Calendar. So write down your nature experiences, thoughts, and ideas, and get your entries in to Box 841. The deadline is extended to any time before Christmas. Remember - entries from faculty, staff, and administration, as well as from students, are welcome.

## Joger's View

### Cop Bashing (Yet Again)

by Joger

Well, I guess you can call me a liar, because I'm in two papers in a row. But something happened today (Saturday) that made me mad again, so I decided to write again.

Today we went grocery shopping and when we came back home we tried to park in the Ellsworth parking lot. I have this warped opinion that this is my right, considering I live in Ellsworth, and I paid thirty bucks for a sticker to park there, but hey, I'm just a student, who am I to say anything. Anyway, we go to park, and lo and behold there are NO spaces to be found in the lot.

There were football games going on all day, so I'm assuming that my space was taken by some unsuspecting spectator, and while I'm here I should say that I'm not blaming them. Rather, I'm blaming the campus. As far as I'm concerned there should be a sizeable sign posted as you enter the lot that says something to the effect of "Student Parking Only. Others

will be towed." This would deter some of the honest people from parking there. The way to deter the rest would be for Campus Police to actually patrol during the day, (not just at three o'clock in the morning) and ticket and (gasp!) tow people who are not supposed to be parking there. I think they would get the hint that they should find another space next time.

But I'm sure the powers-that-be would say that towing guests' cars would not be conducive to the image that WPI is trying to present by inviting guests for these Super Bowls and the State soccer tournaments. These events are great for WPI. NESN comes and transmits that big "WPI" that sits smack dab in the middle of the field all across New England. Talk about free publicity. However, I submit that, contrary to the trends of late, that this school exists for the students, not for the general public, and our concerns should come first. But like I said, who am I?

Well, as far as I know, I'm Joger, and you can contact me via Box 2700.

## Eating In

### A Quick Recipe for Breakfast

by Josh Howard,  
Kelly McQueeney  
and Kajsa Cadwell

The following recipe for French Toast provides an excellent source of protein to keep you awake during your early morning classes. (Besides, isn't falling asleep and drooling embarrassing enough?)

#### French Toast

##### Ingredients:

4 slices of bread  
2 eggs  
2 tablespoons of milk  
vegetable spray of butter/margarine

##### Directions:

In a medium sized saucer or bowl mix the eggs and milk. Use a medium sized skillet on

medium high, coat with vegetable spray. Dip a slice of bread in milk/egg mixture coating both sides. Place bread on skillet and cook till golden brown. Serve as is or with cinnamon/sugar, maple syrup, or jam. For variety, top with fresh fruits.

Serves - 1  
Protein - 22 grams  
Cost - \$0.75  
Time - 4-6 minutes

Yo! Free food! Starting C-Term!

As part of our IQP we need numerous volunteers (Free food!) to make and taste (Free food!), some of our recipes (Free food!). Send your name, (Free food!) box number, (Free food!) and telephone number to Box 581.

Next week - a quick and easy lunch.

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## Alpha Phi Omega

Hey Sean! Great place to hand out club corner!

For all you **Newspeak** readers, we apologize if this club corner makes no sense. I forget - is this supposed to make sense to anybody?

Cetta hates me. Keith hates me. Janet hates me. Madhvi hates me. Everybody hates me. Maybe I really am Bernard. No you just smell funny.

Camera Lady: Say Sex.

Rich: Cori!

Camera Lady: Say Hot Women.

Rich: Cori!

Al is a two-letter word beginning with the letter H.

NO TUF seems rather backwards to me!

## Fencing Club

Look coach, an article two weeks in a row!

The meet at BU with UNH and UCONN went pretty well. Tom (Tome - sorry, had to be done) led the epee team to an outstanding record of 17 and 10 with Tom going 7 and 2. Both Doug and Mark (Shadowspawn) went 5 and 4 for the day. So guys, what's your poison? Mixed case, or all one kind? Jose and I both went 4 and 5, having winning days until UCONN blanked us. Kevin (the best "dress'er around) didn't pick up any wins, but had a pretty good day of fencing anyway. Archie (the face) kept on trying to score even after going 4 and 5 at the meet. Bull and Finch anyone? Sean was close behind with 3 and 6, while Craig wasn't quite aggressive enough to pick up any wins for the day.

Thanks to BU for the meet, and for inviting us out for the pizza and beer after. Oh yeah, many thanks to Sharon, just for being Sharon, and for the rides in her truck. "Ready, mum."

On December 9 there will be a foil directing clinic at the Boston Fencing Club. All foilists are encouraged to attend. Talk to me about it if you are interested.

Attack, counterattack, attack off target, nothing done - Bruce.

## Men's Glee Club

Hope the Thanksgiving break was a good one for everyone. It has been about 20 days since the last Club Corner, so there should be a lot to say.

Since that last Club Corner, we have made the perilous trek to Wells. Needless to say, I heard very few complaints. Although the weather was cold (especially in the gym) the weekend was a rousing success - especially for Moe, who managed to win the twist contest at the Aurora Inn after the semi-formal. Congrats, Moe!! (What was his partner's name again? Mrs. something?)

As far as all reports go, the students of Wells College enjoyed having us as guests also. Many cries of, "I can't wait for New York!" were heard as we departed the shores of lake

Cayuga. So get psyched for the Big Apple this weekend and Montreal over C-D break. On that note, remember that we leave for New York on Friday at 2:00 or 2:30, so rearrange your academic schedule if you haven't done so already.

The club would like to extend congratulations to Brian Rucci on the successful world premiere of his arrangement of "Jesus is Born" at Wheaton as well as the subsequent New York State debut at Wells. We're all proud to perform music of such high caliber - especially music written by one of our own. Thanks for giving us the opportunity, Brian.

Lest we forget, Christmas Vespers will be on Thursday at 7 pm in Alden Hall. It is one of our only on-campus performances of the year, so let's make it a good one. Good luck to all.

TRIVIA, TRIVIA, TRIVIA, TRIVIA

First, the answer to the question: How many states are represented in the present Club Membership? Answer: 9 (MA-14 members, CT-5, NY-3, NJ-3, PA-2, RI-1, ME-1, VT-1, GA-1). There are also 6 countries represented in addition to the United States (Venezuela, France, Spain, Sweden, India, and, of course, Colombia).

This week's trivia (Jeopardy Style):

1. The last college we sang with - other than Regis - that does not start with a W.

2. Two auto-related mishaps on the trip to Wells.

3. Original color of McBus.

Gotta go!! See ya next week.

## Newman Club

The Newman club had a busy and successful B-Term. A prayer group has been started. If you are interested contact Matt Dykoff.

The hayride was held in early November and was a great success. A cookout was held before the ride at the center, and then everyone headed off to the hayride, which proved to be a great time for all who attended. The CROP collection for the hungry went well, and we thank everyone who donated money and who worked the table. Christmas caroling is coming up soon - if you are interested, contact Terry Crochitiere. On December 9, the Newman Club will host the annual Christmas mass at 9 pm in Alden Hall. A reception will follow so stick around and socialize. Bishop Harrington will be the celebrant of the mass.

Some things for C-Term that are planned are another retreat, a return trip to New York, a trip to Boston, and much more. Keep watching this space for more information.

See you at the Christmas Mass.

## Science Fiction Society

The place is Worcester. The year is not 787, but 1990. (For those of you thinking of arguing about B.C. versus A.D. should realize that Worcester in 1990 B.C. was very similar to "modern day" Worcester in quality of life except for the fact that the running water was

safer to drink back then.) What has the SFS done for you lately? I will tell you. Last week at the meeting we took our yearbook pictures. We talked about what to do for next term. Gaming weekends, scavenger hunts, movie nights, UFO sightings, lemon/lime mixers, magma surfing, and helping to clean up after the Great Missouri Earthquake.

For this term, we are planning to have a movie night. No, no, not another Megazone Sex, Demons, and Videotape Animieathon, but a collection of normal (snicker, snicker) movie for our watching pleasure. Hey, get your minds out of the sewer! I mean Wizard of Speed and Time, Wizards, and A Clockwork Orange. You people. It's like you're in college or something. Well, must be going, got to get some time checking my mailbox even though I know there is nothing there.

Weekly quote: "I pulled a muscle in my ear." - Penfold

## Society of Women Engineers

SWE's last meeting of the term is today, Tuesday December 4 at 7:00 pm in Founder's Hall basement. SWE signs will guide you to the basement if you are unfamiliar with Founders.

The meeting will consist of a women faculty/student reception followed by a panel of women faculty speaking on the pros and cons of graduate school. This meeting should prove to be very rewarding for all members! Please make a conscious effort to attend! Hors d'oeuvres and pastry will be served!

A BRIEF business meeting will follow. Topics to be discussed are: upcoming flower sale fundraiser, yearbook pictures, SWE technical paper competition, dues and the soon to be published WPI SWE Newsletter. Elections for 1991 officers will also take place. See you tonight!

REMINDER TO NON-PAID MEMBERS: Dues must be paid by the end of the term, else you will be dropped from our mailing list. Please send your completed application and a \$10.00 check made out to "WPI SWE" to the SWE mailbox - box 5986. If you still need an application, please contact Beth Landers (box 1962, 791-7731).

## Table Tennis Club

Hi there! This is the first official invitation for the organizational meeting for the newly established WPI Table Tennis Club. We will meet in Salisbury Lounge on Thursday December 6, at 6:30 pm. Subjects include:

-Elections for the three officer positions.

-Possibility of creating a league for competition within the club.

-Possibility of creating a team which could face other colleges.

-Information about membership (dues, meetings, etc.).

-Applications for membership to the United States Table Tennis Association, and information about other clubs in the New England area.

Everyone interested in competitive table tennis is welcome! If you cannot make the meeting, or need more information, please contact Gregory Loukedes, box 2865.

## Tau Beta Pi

The Mass. Alpha chapter of Tau Beta Pi would like to congratulate its Fall 1990 initiates. Out new Junior initiates are Glenn Bartkowski, John Borger, Concetta De Paolo, Nicholas DiCamillo, Bernard Dion, Sean Emerson, Garrett Hall, Andrew Hansford, James Kokernak, Roy Martin III, Susan Moser, Laura Paciorek, Thomas Proulx, Quentin Rissler, Michelle Rosenburg, Jennifer Scheaffer, and Michael Schorr.

The new senior initiates are Lisa Bisbee, Luca Bortolami, Stephen Boyinton, Jason Chenard, Lisa Cocco, Robert Douglas, Shawn Gordon, Brian Gosselin, Robert Gregory, Matthew Henderson, Matthew Hwang, Yineet Jain, Gerardo Leute-Megros, Gregory Lind, Robert Mitchell, Scott Odierno, Christiano Pierry, John Powers, Mark Regan, Michael Savageaux, Eric Schnieder, Jagmit Singh, Laura Wagner, Michael Ward, and Jonathan Webster.

Initiates are reminded to wear their polished bents on Wednesday and Thursday, December 5 and 6, in preparation for the initiation ceremony. More congratulations go to the initiates for great work on their pledge projects, and for displaying the character and principles synonymous with Tau Beta Pi.

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## GREEK CORNER

## Alpha Chi Rho

Welcome back, I trust everyone had a fulfilling (and filling) Thanksgiving break. We sure had a great time here at the house.

Those grads know how to throw a bachelor party. Thank you Mario, for your insightful comments last time. They were much appreciated by all. Next time why don't you just go leave broken bottles all over a playground or something. Remind me never to leave town again. I can't think of enough compliments for the postulant class after last night's fiasco. We sure had fun sitting around in the dark singing "Amici." Really, though, we had no idea! Anyone who "played the drums" on the Cube should be ashamed of yourselves. As if Gerry could actually sit still for two hours. Congratulations to Malone for a successful boning. And Bongor took all of that NoDoz for no reason, too. Alpha Chi Rho's initiation of the BYOB policy last Friday turned out pretty well. Thanks to everyone who contributed to its success. Remember, the Christmas dinner is today. As a reminder, Swindell wants me to say that it's today. So it's today. So don't miss it. Get your presents ready for the festivities this weekend.

Hopefully the Elves will be a little more intelligent than last year's pair. "Chicken Sandwich Santa" should be in rare form. Goodbye, I've got to go start my suff. MIKE

## Alpha Gamma Delta

The sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta express our deepest regrets that the entire student body was not able to witness the most adorable pledges of Theta Chi Fraternity in all their glory! The make up was a definite improvement! Wait! We can show everyone else how cute you looked - we have pictures! Pledges, you should tell your brothers that if they really wanted pictures of us so badly, we would have obliged. No need to go stalking around taking things that don't belong to you.

Well, to all those who decorated the tree down at the house - it looks fabulous! Sister-moms, the books look great. I hope the pledges know how much we love them! Get out there and get those signatures and remember some sisters aren't so quick to give them away! All you pledges who are perpetually forgetting your pins, Yee and Hollybeth to name a couple, your letters are entertaining however you don't seem to learn your lesson, do you? I wouldn't forget from now on if I were you. Don't forget the hayride Friday night. It will put you in a Christmas mood just in time for the holiday formal on Saturday! Have fun everyone.

## Alpha Tau Omega

First of all, we would like to welcome: Bill Barnes, Bill Blanchard, Rick Dubois, Troy Dayon, Pat Miller, Chris Lever, Ted Mason, Tom Mitchell, John Harrington, Andy Bowman, Dave Waller, Pat Murphy, Alex Takian, Kevin Warden, Pat O'Donnell, and Cory Belden. Thanks guys for helping spread the X-mas spirit in the Tau-House. Rumor has it Fiacco is out looking for a few "Good Fellas" to ride with after his partner was hospitalized for trying to jump the Tau House on his new Harley-Davidson, but ended up short as he hit the Crow's Nest fire escape and was thrown onto the roof of the tool shed. When he was rescued by the police he was allegedly quoted as saying, "One small step for mankind... one giant step... for Harley-riders."

The "Orb" was also seen practicing a similar stunt, although he will be attempting to

jump Grimm's and Tuck's pecs in the S.S. Fiacco after finishing Milt's secret brew with Skigs' fireman's hat on for protection. For the latest line on the success of this stunt you can call 1-800-DOGBALLS. Pal-man is looking for any information as to the whereabouts of his black boots. He believes that they were stolen by a scruffy looking man wearing a blue hat saying "Join the Teamsters." This same man was also seen snooping around the coffin supposedly looking for the phone number of someone named Lana.

## Phi Sigma Sigma

Aloha! Here's to wishing we were in a warmer climate! Super special thanks to Tina for all her hard work in planning the exciting "Country Christmas" this weekend. An outstanding time was had by all, especially Andrea and Chuck! (For all of you gamblers, Donna was the winner of the unofficial contest.)

Congratulations to our newest pledges, Jen Shaw and Erin Larson! Welcome aboard girls, and get psyched on Phi Sig Sig!

Thanks to Sig Ep for the festivities last week, everyone had fun, and Maryellen even managed to make it after the Q&A. The pledges also had an event last week, raking leaves for Professor Sisson with the Sig Ep pledges.

The "Secret Santa" party is just around the corner, so get in the mood for some Christmas cheer. And don't forget we're Christmas caroling tonight, as well as decorating Fiji's Christmas tree!

With only 10 more days until the end of the term, get psyched up for another outrageous dose of Donnomania when we get back from break. In the meantime, don't forget to drop any old clothes (or socks) into the box for the shelter, and don't forget to do your part for our environment—recycle that paper.

Special hellos this week to Evelyn, Theresa, Beth R. and Ellen. Good luck to everyone as we start to wrap up the term, try not to get too stressed out (Jeanette)! LITP.

## Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Congratulations to our pledges for setting a new house record for most Sundays in a row! (The brothers would like to thank Lady Ducharme for coordinating this record.) Another deserved commendation goes to the pledges for their tremendous efforts on a raid that resembled the German Blitzkrieg. Who will it be... coy, mahoney, bruce, dog, zam, or could there be a L.L. or a darkman waiting to draw the lines to complete the box? "Pete it's hot in here I want to take a shower." "Go away... I've got to much civil to do." Congratulations to P-Pod who has just been granted a license too obliterate his liver (as a career). Mike "Guilio" Gibbs please come to the house to pick up your Bob Marley CD collection and your twenty some odd fishing rods. Maybe when "Chuckles" Merry stops asking questions he will take the plunge for his wife to be? Yes, in the pond. Yes chuckles you may walk in. And yes it will be cold. Enough questions. We should all thank Stiller for generously introducing us to the great historical figure Samuel Adams. Stop by anytime Wad. Sully a word from the green grocer... don't eat spoiled meat. Oh sure that wasn't you doing 95 m.p.h. it was a car identical to yours... right! Brothers and pledges let us welcome WPI's finest instructors to our faculty open house on Dec. 7. We hope all faculty will stop by for the festive occasion. Until next time... FLY ALF

## Sigma Pi

HELLO! I'm in a good mood because I just got back from the gym, and I'm feeling especially pumped up and huge. Well, not quite as large and super-human as Dwight, my idol, but maybe someday...

Where did we get these pledges of ours, anyway? We try to teach them, but they just refuse to follow friendly advice. Big Bertha should be around more often! Let me say one more thing about those silly maggots - Squirrel, you will learn to regret those words ha, ha, ha.

Ha, ha, ha! Well, I dare say there have been some interesting rumors floating around. Indeed, Tavares, I thought it was against the LAW to do things like that with your sister! Bert's a what?! Well, happy father's day! Scooter's getting sensitive with his friend from Texas... probably even get married pretty soon!

Well, on the social scene (we'll just blatantly skip sports this week), Snowflake is coming up (and I don't mean Lima's semester report)! That's right - Friday is the big day, and if you don't have a date by now, I'm sure Conkey would be glad to set you up with some of his friends... Also, it's always good to see alumni like Menard buying us beer. Thanks Kris!

And I'll leave you with this rare quote from Flounder... (pounding on my door, with SCSU brothers coming up the stairs) "Yer gotta hide me... they wanna make me drink!"

## Tau Kappa Epsilon

Hello and welcome back, we hope you all had a restful break and a good Thanksgiving. We would also like to take this chance to wish all the members of the WPI community a very merry holiday season. For those of you that might have forgot, we would like to remind you that we have moved to 63 and 65 Wachusett St. We are settling in fine and looking forward to some great times in the weeks, months and years to come.

Well, as we are getting ready for our annual Christmas Party we would like to thank the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon who chose to kidnap our vice president, Abe, last week... Good Job. We look forward to revenge in the near future. To our New Members we would like to thank you for the Awesome Christmas Tree, Thank Goodness it was not a shruberry. A big TKE Thank You goes to Cheryl Lesley for her great holiday gift to the Brothers of the Zeta-Mu Chapter, we will never forget you. Oh, Happy birthday to Ricardo and Marc, we are sure that you two will love your present. Well, I guess that brings this little column to a close and it looks like this may be my last so good luck to our new officers in C-Term, and New Members keep up the Psych.

TKE- The Time Is Now.

## Theta Chi

The brothers of Theta Chi fraternity hope everyone had a fun and fattening Thanksgiving.

Brothers, here are some little unknown facts about our new pledge class. Dan Beauregard stole Al Capone's treasure before Geraldo could get to it. Peter Baltatzidis another Greek, there goes the neighborhood. Kyle Brownrigg was once caught naked in the pastry section of Store 24. Ryan Burke's father moved to Marshfield, MA to have an affair with Pat. John Coyle modeled for J. Crew when he was 14. Jim Daigle sold his body for backstage

passes to Iron Maiden. Ken Dorman M.I.A. Jim Dowd was the voice behind Elmer Fudd, that's all folks! Chris Emond is the son of monster truck driver Big Daddy Don Emond. Jorge Figueroa-Arroyo defeated Julio Chavez to win the Puerto Rican Bantam weight title. David Fortin became a volunteer fire fighter so he could put more auxiliary lights on his car. Salvatone Gencarelli is wanted for the whereabouts of Jimmy Hoffa. Joel Grandin failed the post-tournament drug test, title goes to Calahan and Perullo. Kurt Gusek was one of the famous three to escape from Alcatraz. Pete Gyordia used to be full time Londonderry Burger King playground monitor. Chris Mansur was a henchman for the Penguin in the original Batman. Chris Menard thought WPI was a two year refrigeration and air-conditioning repair school. Ken Montaro attempted suicide during a game of Dungeons and Dragons. Tony Rainka once caught a baby falling from the 3rd floor of a burning building, but instinctively drop kicked it into the hands of Scott Remillard who took it for a mark. Jon Swanson is the world fly-weight bench press champion. Tom Sacco is not just the hair club president, he's also a client. Tom Schurman won the Nintendo International at Augusta. John Perullo rained shattered glass on five girls from St. Mary's school for the blind during an exhibition game. Finally, Kevin Richards, after smoking some bad crack apparently rode a stolen skateboard through the front window of Acapulco's restaurant. Sources at the scene said he was screaming, "...Buffalo wings are the Devil's buggers."

Forgiving is giving in. Somehow unforgivable clashes keep surfacing.

## Zeta Psi

Greetings from the asylum. It's real peaceful here, at least when there's no screaming. They finally caught me again. I guess giving enemas to goldfish wasn't such a good idea. Oh well, esta es la vida mia. What's up in Mr. Zete's neighborhood this week? In the R-Type crusade, level six (bodge) has finally been breached. All you hunters in the house, don't leave any more dead birds around (bodge), but bring more rabbit (watch out Cindy!!), or at least close to it. How about those Loud Guy and Loud Girl tag team noisemakers? (bodge) Does everyone like the Dave and Murph seven A.M. universal wakeup call that has now extended to the second floor? (Maybe Loud Guy is no longer deserved of the title, and we need a vote of no confidence at the next House Meeting.) Quote of the week from Fred: "Where's the sunset?" (bodge) Hey Schroeder, where's Lucy? Maybe play a little Beethoven, turn down the lights... The migrating boot mugs have decided to launch an all out offensive on Pete's room, since the covert operations have failed. (bodge) Who wants creamed soup for dinner? I say we make cream of Steward, or maybe iguana stew. (bodge)

Pledges, hope you got more motivated after the work party, I know Taz enjoyed it. You're doing great at learning your stuff and getting interviews, but it helps to have a successful raid or kidnapping.

Now for the headlines. Keep the planning going for the MDA project. Thanks Pete for getting the sliding doors fixed. Thanks to those who contributed to the IFC auction. Thanks to Rob from International HQ for visiting for a couple days.

That's all for this session, it's time for my injections. Til Taz eats Saddam Hussein's shorts, nuff said.

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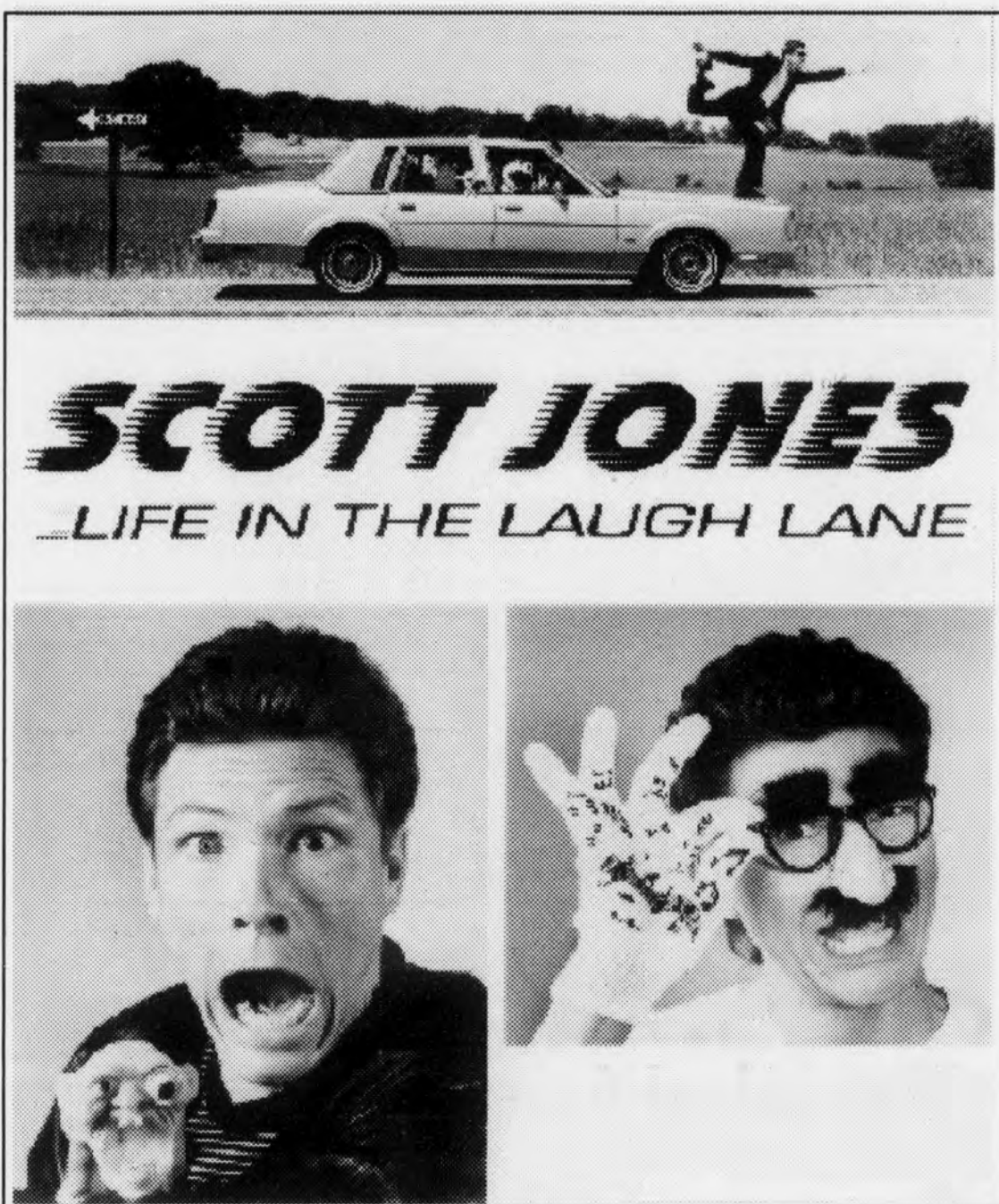
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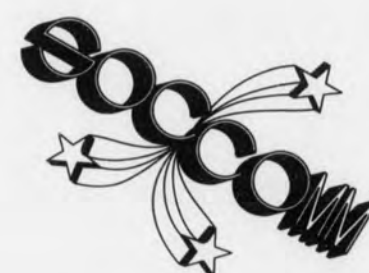
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Ok, Ok, Ok Evan... you were right. Now stop gloating.

The time was six o'clock on the Swatch Watch, No time to chill, gotta dance, taking a chance, HEY! Maybe someone will do me... Moove to the Back Terrace... OOOOOh that Booty, Smack it up, flip it, Rub it down, Oh NO! Do Club Berkshire...

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## What's Going On?

### Tuesday, 4 December 1990

2:00pm - Peace Corps Information Table - Wedge  
6:30pm - Newman Club Christmas Caroling at Belmont Home - Religious Center  
7:00pm - Peace Corps Film Seminar and Discussion - HL 101

### Wednesday, 5 December 1990

8:00am-5:00pm - Peace Corp Interviews - OGCP, Boynton Hall  
4:00pm - Chemistry Department Colloquium - "Multiple Quantum NMR Spectroscopy Methods for Measuring the Self-Diffusion Coefficients of Protonated Metabolites" - Dr. Christopher Sotak, Department of Biomedical Engineering, WPI

### Thursday, 6 December 1990

11:00am - AI Research Group Meeting, FL 320  
7:30pm - WPI Glee Club and Brass Octet - Vespers Concert with Regis College Glee Club - Alden Hall

### Friday, 7 December 1990

11:00am - Computer Science Colloquium, FL 320, "An Object-Oriented Methodology for Knowledge Reusability in Diagnostic Environments," Todd Guay, and "Learning to Allocate Computational Resources with Massively Parallel Knowledge Processing," Kishore Deshpande  
12:00n - Newman Graduate Seminar - College Religious center  
5:00pm - Holy Day Mass - Immaculate Conception - Alden Hall

### Saturday, 8 December 1990

12:00n - Holy Day Mass - Immaculate Conception - Alden Hall

### Sunday, 9 December 1990

9:00pm - Bishop's Christmas Mass and Reception - Alden Hall

## POLICE LOG

### Tuesday, 13 November 1990

10:37—TRESPASS: Food Service requests male be removed from Wedge who is harassing one of the employees. Officer responds male trespassed from campus.

### Thursday, 15 November 1990

1:00am—NOISE COMPLAINT: Student calls to report students on football field making noise. Officer responds, persons removed from the field.  
10:57am—MINOR ACCIDENT: Student reports vehicle was hit in the quadrangle parking lot, officer files report.

### Saturday, 17 November 1990

12:04am—DISTURBANCE: Male subject into station reporting he was assaulted by members of fraternity house. Officer investigates, report filed.  
12:25am—NOISE COMPLAINT: Neighbor calls to report loud noise from Sigma Pi Fraternity house. Officer responds, house advised.  
5:09pm—INJURED PERSON: Student reports male has fallen from staging in Alden Hall. Officer responds, injured person transported by ambulance for treatment of head injury.

### Sunday, 18 November 1990

1:50pm—DISORDERLY PERSON/ARREST: Sergeant reports male apprehended damaging police vehicle, subject placed under arrest.  
3:05am—INTOXICATED PERSON: Student from Founders Hall reports male student passed out. Officers respond, ambulance responds. Student refused medical treatment, report filed.

### Monday, 19 November 1990

10:03pm—INTOXICATED PERSON: Student reports male seen in area of women's locker rooms in Alumni gymnasium acting suspiciously. Officers respond, report filed.

### Tuesday, 20 November, 1990

5:50am—MALICIOUS MISCHIEF: Member of Phi Gamma Delta reports front windows of house have been broken, Officers respond, report filed.

### Wednesday, 21 November 1990

9:29pm—MALICIOUS MISCHIEF: Member of Phi Gamma Delta reports front window of house have been broken, Officers respond, report filed.

### Sunday, 25 November 1990

12:09am—ASSIST WORCESTER POLICE: Worcester police assisted in shutting down party on West St.

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